NATIONAL BEAUTY OUITS MOVIE STAGE

Miss Ruth Purcell "Cured" by Two Months' Experience With Supes and Managers.

(Continued from Ninth Page.)

faces at yourself. Move the chairs around the room and talk to them. around the room and talk to Stand in different poses, etc., etc.

Isn't Very Enthusiastic

Over Studio Life Miss Purcell says this free advice was offered constantly by the "supe." She didn't know whether to get mad or to accept the persistent coaching of the "so-much-per-day" actor. One day she heard the director address this "supe"

"Ob. you bone "Oh, you bonehead; you imbecile—can't you do anything right?"
And thereafter Miss Purcell knew what to do with the advice of the vol-

what to do with the advice of the voluniteer instructor.
"Supes" are apparently quite hungry
persons at times. Miss Purcell recalls
that in staging any picture wherein
there was an eating scene, it was exceedingly difficult to keep the "props"
until the final picture. The "props"
thad a habit of disappearing during the
preliminary rehearsals and more food
had to be supplied.
"We had a barnyard scene once."

had to be supplied.

"We had a barryard scene once," said Miss Purcell. "in which there was prominently displayed a barrel of apples. The barrell was almost filled with paper and just a few apples were laid to show hove the top. While they were making ready for this picture the apples kept disappearing and the poer would show underneath. They sent cut and got more apples after the company had meaked a meal from the original lot."

Studio Manager Her Particular Nemesis

Another confession of Miss Purcell's She Prefers Stenography lack of "75 to 80 per cent nerve" has To the Photoplay districts. She says she had an understanding that she would go to such places in an automobile with the directors or the stars, but somehow she it's all funny, now that it's over, but I was always crowded out and found her- have voluntarily drawn down the curwas always crowded out and spany, self in the van with the company.

A New York girl, on to the ways of the "profesh," indignantly told Miss foolish to hang Purcell that she was foolish to hang

"Go on up there in that automobile where you belong; assert yourself; tell strangers of New York."
'em where they get off." said the New Last summer Miss Rut

made to Miss Purcell were to be fulfilled—and the studio manager was
somewhat apathetic.

Miss Purcell draws not a flattering
nicture of the studio manager, whom
she regards as her particular nemesis
in the movie game. According to Miss
Purcell, he was a "sawed-off" little fellow, standing about so high, but with
all the austerity and hard-heartedness
of a conquering Napoleon.

Of the several hundred contestants she
was designated by a board of Washingtron artists and society leaders, as the
most beautiful young woman who had
entered the spirited competition.
In company with beauties selected
from each of the forty-eight States,
Miss Purcell went to the San Francisco
and San Diego expositions. At San
Francisco the many beauties went to a
ball, attended by prominent officials,
some of whom acted as judges. Miss conquering Napoleon.

He hopped about the studio on his Purcell was declared to be the national short legs, shouted directions here and beauty, the prettiest girl of all those there, "bawled out" the supernumer- gathered at the exposition city by rea-

Here's a book that EVERY ruptured person ought to read. It contains valuable information about rupture. Describes and pictures various kinds of rupture and rupture supports. Tells how to bold and control rupture and how to avoid serious consequences, such as strangulation, etc. has shown bundreds the way to better health and happiness. Send for

You CAN Be Free from Truss Slavery and Rupture Misery

Are you going about harnessed like an everburdened truck-horse with an ill-fitting truss or makeshift contraption gouging into your flesh or slipping out of place, causing you endless misery? With PERFECT, GLORIOUS comfort.

didn't like the language and the jealous-ies of the studio, and she particularly felt out of sorts about that bendy-eyed manager and his disagreeable little

manager and his disagreeable little way.

One day, Miss Purcell recalls, the manager forgot to tell her to stay at the studio for another renearsal. When the director subsequently wanted someone to play a role he asked for her.

"You mean the \$10,000 heauty? Why she's gone for the day," volunteered one of the actors.

When Miss Purcell sought out the actor to ask him to keep his comments to himself, the actor vowed he hadn't said a word, and the Washington girl registered her eighty-seventh resolution to quit the "movies."

istered her eighty-seventh resolution to quit the "movies."

"I didn't like anything about the business," Miss Purcell now says. 'Possibly I might have become a star or nearstar if I had had the nerve and perseverance to pay no attention to studio annovances, and the little jealousies and distasteful ways of some of those with whom I was thrown in contact. It was entirely different from anything I had ever done or expected to do.

"I have worked for several years, but always amid pleasant surroundings and with ladics and gentlemen considerate of others.

No Place For a Girl With A Retiring Disposition

"I didn't find much consideration in the movie business, although I wouldn't indict the entire business nor everyone with whom I was thrown. On the whole, however, it's no place for a girl if she has a disposition that is at all retiring.

"if you go to New York and forget your feelings, fighting every minute for the upper hand and asserting yourself the upper hand and asserting yourself constantly, you may get ahead in the business. But I am not of the auxressive, fighting type, and I don't regard the game as worth it. There are menths of work, many heartaches, distillusionment, and tribulations ahead of any girl that seeks to breek into the business of acting for the acreen. That, at least, is the way I feel about it.

prominently displayed a barrel of apples. The barrell was almost filled with paper and just a few apples were laid to show hove the top. While they were making ready for this picture the apples kept disappearing and the program and got more apples after the company had sneaked a meal from the original lot."

Miss Purcell isn't very enthusiantic over studio life as a whole. The studio to which she was assigned is located in a big war-house, none too well heated. She caught cold frequently and her mother was in constant fear she would contract pneumenia while filting about in filmsy evening gowns and other costumes.

Not infrequently Miss Purcell had to go "out in the country" where an outdoor scene was being staged. Actors, actresses and "supes" were loaded into hig vans and taken to some rural section to put on an out-door drams.

Studio Manager Her

That, at least, is the way I feel about it.

It wouldn't advise any zirl to leave a commercial position for the movie stage—it is at best a gambling chance. Escentively do I feel sorry for any girl who tries to break in because she has been declared a beauty. The directors and managers who actually stage the betures will be more interested in somebody they have discovered than in the girl who has made a contract with the men higher up in the home office; and wour companies of the drama probably will take certain secret satisfaction in making life unpleasant for you because of the same reason.

"As for me, I am through with movie rehearsals. Maybe I should have persected, but I am glad I did not.

"The chief disappointment I feel is that I do not know today whether I can act, and I don't think anybody else does. You can't find that out if you enter a studio and feel instinctively that the man in charge is going to take just as little interest in you as possible, and in

man in charge is going to take just as little interest in you as possible, and in return you dislike that man from the

"I am back again at the American Federation of Labor. I feel at home. It's all funny, now that it's over, but I tain on my stage career. I prefer stenography to the photoplay, the typewriter to the moving picture camera. and my friends and associates in Washington to the cynical and unsympathetic

Last summer Miss Ruth Purcell won York miss. But Miss Purcell said she wouldn't stage a controversy, and she rode with the chorus. Somehow the film company's 'higher ups' never seemed to be around when the promises made to Miss Purcell were to be fully miss and the beautiful girl in the National Capital. Of the several hundred contestants she was designated by a board of Washing-

some of whom acted as judges. aries, abetted the directors in their hurry-up methods, and made himself generally objectionable to one of the retiring disposition of the Washington retiring disposition of the Washington beauty.

Regarded the Directors As
Hard Task Masters
Having been reared in a deeply religious family, and having spent her ligious family acceptance of such an offer until family decided to go to New York and enter the studio of a large complished actresses. Miss Furcell delayed the acceptance of such an offer until long after her return to Washington. She finally decided to go to New York and enter the studio of a large company. After sixty days of studio life Miss Furcell delayed the acceptance of such an offer until long after her return to Washington. She finally decided to go to New York and enter the studio of a large company. After sixty days of studio life Miss Furcell delayed the acceptance of such an offer until long after her return to Washington. She finally decided to go to New York and enter the studio of a large company.

early years under the influence of the convent. Miss Purcell felt that she didn't "fit in" from the day she entered that studio.

Work here.

The Washington beauty is of an exceedingly modest and retiring disposition, and her story reveals that her tered that studio. tien, and her story reveals that studio.

She was out of harmony with the experienced actors and actresses used to a life of ups and downs, she regarded the directors as hard task-masters, she directors as hard task-masters, she

I Will Prove to You by Signed Statements and Letters From Secres of Former Sufferers That

No old-style Truss, Steel Springs, Elastic Bands or Les Straps; No Knife. No Operation, No Discomfort, No Loss of Time, Enjoy Grand, Glorious Comfort while your Rupture heals.

This Book Tells How. I Will Send

I Will Send

ALEXANDRIA HOSPITAL PLAN TO BE ADOPTED

at Washington and Duke Streets.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 19.-The plans. prepared by Architect Waddy B. Wood, of Washington, for the new Alexandria Hospital, are expected to be adopted without change for the location at Washington and Duke streets, which has been denated by Edward !. Daingerfield. The new building will front on Duke street. The rear buildings of the Daingerfield residence will be torn down and the main building, which front on Washington street, will be used for administrative purposes and for the

As son as changes are made in the plans they will be turned over for bids. It is expected construction will be commenced as soon as the weather nerming. The new building will cost about \$50,000. The board of trustees are expected to obtain the lots on Clumbus street which adjain the lots. adjoin the hospital in the rear, so as to make their property run through from Washington to Columbus streets.

Robert W. Adcock, fifty-eight years old, died last night at the Alexandria Hospital, He resided at 216 South Henry dren-Hugh M. Adcock, Keturah Ad-cock, and Mrs. James B. Igoe. Funeral irrangements have not been completed.

members competed, and the prices were awarded as follows: A turkey to E. Hunt Roberts, a goose to Robley D. Brumback, and a pocketknife to Howell Thomas. The gun club has recently had installed traps on the Willis farm, and the weekly tournaments are increasing in interest.

Funeral services for Miss Emily E Mehaffey will be held tomorrow at 11 o'clock from the residence of Mrs. David J. Howell, 700 Duke street, and will No Change Is Planned From Site be conducted by the Rev. P. P. Phillips. rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

The Rev. O. W. Triplett, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, preached in the First Baptist Church this morning.

Alexandria's public schools will close Thursday and remain closed until January 3. St. Mary's Acodemy, conducted by the Sisters of the Holy Cross, will close for the same period. The Episcopal High School closed yesterday, and will reopen January 4. The Virginia Theological Seminary will close Thursday and remain closed until January 5.

A meeting of the primary branch of the Parent-Teachers' Association will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in Lee School building. At the conclusion of the business session there will be Christmas recitations and musical and literary program.

The Holy Name Society band has a copted an invitation from Washington Council, Knights of Columbus, to play at a social session in Washington to-morrow night. The members of the band will leave here at 7 o'clock in charge of William DeVaughan. Mrs. Hayward Douglas Luckett

young son, of Charleston, S. C., arrived here Friday and will spend the holi-days with Mrs. Luckett's mother-in-law, Mrs. Lucy Peyton Luckett, at her home in South Patrick street.

The sale of Red Cross Christmas scals still be commenced tomorrow under the The first handicap of the Alexandria Gun Club was held yesterday on the farm of George B. Willis. Eighteen Tuberculosis Society.

Church, the rector officiating. bride, who were a nown of dark blue velvet and carried Bride roses, was attended by Mrs. J. Dawson Williams, of Kensington, as matron of honor, and by her sister, Miss Illia Schuermann, of coast guard service, is spending the month with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O Klinger, in Riverdale.

Mrs. Laura Virginia Shaw and Burton Stanley Eready were married yesterday in Emory Methodist Church, Oakdale, by the pastor, Rev. Frank T. Neel.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Im-provement Society of Silver Spring, this county a ball will be given in the armory, at Silver Spring, December 31.

Mrs. Mark Shields, formerly Miss Polly Janney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Janney, of Brookeville, recent-ly underwent an operation for appendi-cities in a Chicago hospital. She is said to be on the road to recovery.

Under the direction of Mrs. Berry E. Clark, the fairy fantasy, "The Moon King," will be presented here soon for the benefit of the Social Service

Preston B. Ray, clerk of the circuit court, and Miss Nancy Calvert Schuermann, daughter of Mrs. Rose Calvert Schuermann, of Washington, were married yesterday in St. Stephen's Episcoal Church, the rector officiating. The

Mrs. George W. Wilson has returned from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Flogal, in Phillipsburg, Fa.

The Riverdale volunteer fire depart-ment will hold a dance in the town hal lon January 10.

Mrs. C. O. Fountain, who has been spending the month with Mrs. L. A. Bennett, Riverdale, will leave Christ-mas for a month's stay with relatives

A. C. Quisenberry, of this town, has been appointed an aide-de-camp on the staff of the governor of Kentucky, with the rank of colonel.

\$60,000 Saved in Year By "Docking" in Army

The War Department saved approximately \$5,000 a month or \$60,000 last year Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Holmes and family have closed their home, on the Rockville pike and have removed to fact is brought out in the annual report of Brig. Gen. E. H. Crowder, judge adby "docking" officers and enlisted men

ANACOSTIA.

Anacostia Council, No. 16. Junior Drler of United American Mechanics, is considering the question of organizing a branch of the Daughters of America as an auxiliary to its body. Councilor L. D. Donaldson has apointed a committee consisting of E. R. Thomas. F. C. Prather, and T. M. Harkness, to confer with Mrs. Floda M. Reagan, State councilor of this order for the District, with this end in view. On Tuesday night nominations of officers will be made, with the election the following week.

Miss Nellie Marshall, of Swetnam, Va., is visiting relatives and friends here at the present time. She has stayed with Miss Louisa Danforth, at her home in Talbert street, and Mrs. T. F. Williams, 251 Nichols and Mrs. T. F. Williams, 251 Nichols avenue.

The regular meeting of the Bradbury Heights Citizens' Association will be held tomorrow night in the school building near the Bowen road.

lifeut. Anghony Shilling, of the Eleventh precinct, enjoyed a vacation the past week, automobiling to several nearby places

The men of Emmanuel Church conducted an every-member canvass this afternoon among the parishioners of

Cured His RUPTURE

Available of the winter.

HYATTSVILLE.

Jackson H. Ralaton, Democratic candidate for the Congressional nomination will address the Hyattsville Citizens' Association meeting tomorrow night.

The following orders were passed by the board of school commissioners Resignation of Miss Marguerite Boyle Resignation of Miss Marguerite Boyle Resignation of Miss Marguerite Boyle Resignation of No. 3, in Seat ment contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and a percentage of contracts in force, as compared to the work and t

O'DONNELL'S DRUG STORE

904 F Street N.W.

Lowest Price-Cuts Ever Recorded on High Quality Merchandise

When prices are cut at this store you can count on the biggest savings ever offered in the drug business. The immense quantities in which we buy and sell leads us at all times to expect only the smallest margin of profit. Then, too, our constantly moving stocks keep it always fresh and up to date.

Cut Prices for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Save Money on Your Christmas Gifts at O'DONNELL'S This \$12.00 Gillette



Parisian Ivory In Washington At Prices That Will



Comb, Brush, and Mirror at \$4.98 Cannot be duplicated for less than \$8.00 in any other store.

Separate pieces in white ware Combs, 49c and up. Hair Brushes,
\$1.49 and up. Trays, Puff Boxes, Mirrors, etc. All greatly reduced.



25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.50. All in Handsome Packages.

Perfume Atomizers

The Devilbiss line

Atomisers

60c Atomisers

Pure Bristle Hair Brushes

All guaranteed. The best gift for the men. Prices

69c up to \$6

Florence Ebonoid Sets Comb, Brush and Mirror At \$1.89 A Great Big Value

Safety Razor Set

Cut to \$8.49

There are just 12 sets to be sold at this price.

Violet Dulce



Xmas Com bination. Soap, Pow der and Toilet Water,

Thermos Vaccum Bottles

Polished nickle for keeping liquid refreshments hot or cold. Pints at \$1.29 Quarts at \$2.29

Pullman or Bedroom Shoes

Made of fine leather in handsome leather wallet case. \$1.69

Give Him Cigars—The Gift of All Gifts

You will find the brand here that your friend, husband or brother likes best. We carry no junk-only handle nationally known brands.

Special attention to Ladies! Our cigar experts will take special pains to see that they get the correct brand of cigars that they wish to give as gifts,

7-20-4

A domestic cigar, Havana filler, and Sumatra wrapper. The world's best 10c cigar.

a Rosa Del Monte

Box of 25 for \$1.00. Box of 50 for \$2.00. El Credaro Cigar

High-grade Porto Rico Cigar. Regularly 2 for Our price, 10c.

Box of 25 for \$2.25.

La. Garcita Cigar Regular 10c cigar.

Our price, 6 cents.

A good 10c cigar.

Box of 50 for \$3.00. La Candillo Cigar

The Windsor House

La Tabona Cigar

Havana cigars, regular 3 for 25c size. Our price, 7c; 4 for Box of 50 for \$3.00. Box of 50 for \$2.50.

La Zikora Cigar

Havana Product

Good Havana cigar.

Box of 50 for \$2.50.

5 cents straight.

All Havana filler, a splendid smoke; regular 3 for 25c size. Our price, 5c straight. Box of 25c for \$1.10.

Buy Your Xmas Candy Here and Save Money

Give Her a Box of



The highest ideal of fastidious lovers, of rich, satisfying confections is realized in Liggett's Chocolates. The craving for more lingers—because their irresistible charm of flavors is never forgotten. That's why they are "The sweetest story ever told." We are exclusive agents for Lig-

POUNDS HALF POUNDS..... Park & Tilford's Candies received

LENOX CHOCOLATES Special Xmas box.

Romance Chocolates, in some symphony package, 69c

Lenox Special two-pound \$1.29 Lenox beautiful white package Almonds, Datellas Carmello, Pineapple Nougutines, Filbertines, Montevideos and twelve other varieties 89c

Maxixe Chocolate Cherries, 29c worth 50c. Our price.....

Guth's Martan Checolates, 29c Delatour Chocolates, pure candles, as good as any coc chocolate sold. The box...... 32c

Greenfield's Delatour Chocolates, 5 lb. Box, \$1.25

As good as any candies sold up to 60c lb.

Lorimer Chocolates, 5 lb. Box, at 98c



Give a Hot Water Bag

This is the best present you can possibly give. Many a doctor's bill can be avoided by the use of a good hotwater bottle - many a night's sleep made pleasant and comfortable. Goodyear Parabest Water Bag

Many others up to \$2.98.

PATENT REMEDIES and DRUGS

\$1.06 Pearson's Creolin 75e c Schank I lills
c Schenck's l'ills
c Allen's Foot-Ease
c Cabicide
00 S. S. S. for the blood
00 D. S. S. for the blood
100 Brome Schzer
5c Brome Schzer Phenol Sodique 'almer's skin Success... Dioxogen Dioxogen Mentholatum F. Garcia & Bros.

Parisian Sage

Canthrox 39e
Mellin's Food 55e
Fleicher's Castoria 21e
Phillips' Milk Magnesia 19e
Rabot be Babek

1b. Powdered Alum.....

b. Epsem Salts...

oz. Florentine Powdered Orris Rost 1 lb. Boracie Acid Powder (pure) 4 oz. bottle best Castor Oil..... 10e Quart can Pompeian Olive Oil. 65e 1 lb. Compound Licorice

jars Peroxide Cream Moodbury's Cream..... Rubif sem -

25c Mum17e 25c Sweets, for all perspiration 50c Stillman Freckle Cream ... 35e 25c Binds' Honey Almond Cold 20c Squibb's Talcum.

TOILET ARTICLES

ie Java Bice Powder, the genuine imported ie Mennen's Shaving Cream.. 18e Williams' Shaving Cream. 17e Williams' Shaving Stick 17c .17e 17c Jergen's Benzoin and

Our Trial Offer plan enables you to put on a SCHULLING RUFTURE LOCK and run, jump, pull, tug, twist, squirm, strain, cough, sneeze and do anything else you like to prove to yourself that IT HOLDS and holds COMFORTABLY under ALL conditions. Once one of these Locks is adjusted to fit you, we are willing for you to give it the severest test that you or anybody else can leave the severest test the severest test that you or anybody else can leave the severest test that you or anybody else can leave the severest test the that you or anybody else can think of. Write today for our book and particulars of trial offer Free. Near Your Cure Send This Now

Please send me FREE in plain wrapper, your book on Rupture and full particulars of your Trial Offer plan.

Director, SCHUILING RUPTURE INSTITUTE,

Atomizers

Our price, 7c. Box of 25 for \$1.75. Box of 50 for \$3.50.

High-grade 5c cigar.

Box of 25 for \$1.38.

Box of 50 for \$2.75. Manuel Cigar

Our price, 7 cents, or 4 for 25 cents. Box of 25 for \$1.50.

Regularly 3 for 25c. Our price, 5c straight. Box of 25 for \$1.25. Box of 50 for \$2.50.

A big seller.

Regularly 3 for 25c. Our price, 5c straight. Box of 25 for \$1.25.

High-grade Porto Rico Cigar; a big seller. Regular 3 for 25c size, Our price, 5c straight.

El Bradfield Clear Havana cigar. Good 10 cent cigar.

Our price, 3 for 25c. Box of 50 for \$4.00.

Box of 50 for \$2.15.